



Docket No. 282662US8X

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: William E. FORD, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/990,049

GAU: 1651

FILED: November 21, 2001

EXAMINER: NAFF, David M.

FOR: SELECTIVE METALLISATION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS VIA METAL NANOPARTICLES PRODUCED IN-SITU

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a **three month** extension of time be granted to **DECEMBER 24, 2006** for

- ☐ filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- ☐ responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- ☐ filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.
- ☐ responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- ☐ filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.
- ☒ **A Notice of Appeal was filed on: JULY 24, 2006 and a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") is filed herewith.**
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of **\$1,020.00** is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. **15-0030**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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